

Agency 36 - State Racing Commission

Statutory Authority:

Nebraska Revised Statutes Chapter 2, Sections 1201 through 1247. The Nebraska Racing Commission has adopted and filed Administrative Rules Title 294 with the Reviser of Regulations as authorized by Statute.

Vision Statement:

Support and encourage agriculture and horse breeding in Nebraska, utilizing authority and resources authorized by the legislature and approved by the governor, to prevent and eliminate corrupt practices in horse racing and pari-mutuel wagering, to maintain a high level of integrity and honesty in the horse racing industry, to insure and promote the safety of racing participants and horses, and to receive and disperse funds pursuant to statutory requirements.

Mission Statement:

The Nebraska Racing Commission mission is statewide regulation of the horse racing industry so as to insure a level playing field for owners, trainers, and jockeys; to promote and insure the health and safety of the humans and equines as it relates to their participation in the racing industry; to protect the public by insuring the integrity of pari-mutuel wagering; and to exercise authority consistent with statutory and administrative requirements that provide due process and protect the rights of all persons subject to its jurisdiction.

Goals:

The goal is to restore critical regulatory activities that are most essential to the mission of the Racing Commission, at an expenditure level that will maintain a cash fund balance of not less than \$250,000 as of the end of each fiscal year. Reinstatement is dependant on an increase in funding.

The budget request is based on a continuation of the current racing calendar, which includes 108 days of live horse racing, at six locations, over a period of 32 weeks. Changes in that schedule would affect expenditures. A hearing on racing dates for calendar year 2007 will be held in October or November 2006, following the completion of the 2006 live racing season.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY06	Approp FY07	Request FY08	Recom FY08	Request FY09	Recom FY09
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	801,340	1,011,366	1,023,094	876,934	1,027,880	891,469
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Agency	801,340	1,011,366	1,023,094	876,934	1,027,880	891,469

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Program 074 - Enforcement Of Standards

Program Objectives:

The program objective during FY 2007 - 2009 is to reinstate and implement mission critical regulatory enforcement at a funding level consistent with the FY 2006-2007 continuation appropriations, and to evaluate performance measures that provide useful insight into the value and efficiency of enforcement program expenditures, and the incentives for horse breeding in Nebraska.

The program objectives for FY 2009 - 2011 are to continue a regulatory enforcement program that provides necessary and adequate regulation of horse racing and pari-mutuel wagering at a level consistent with and adjusted to reflect the amount of live racing activity approved, and to promote horse racing and breeding activity by insuring that the industry adequately and properly regulated.

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Performance Measures:

1. Inputs - Pari-mutuel Handle, Occupational Licenses, Live Race Days, Nebraska-bred incentives
2. Outputs - Regulatory Personnel, Investigations, Equine Drug Testing, Licensing, Official Rulings, Travel Expense, Nebraska-Bred horses
3. Efficiency - Cost of Outputs per unit of live race days, pari-mutuel handle; Nebraska-bred incentives/Nebraska-bred horses
4. Outcomes - Investigations as to issue or violation and resources expended, Equine drug testing activities as to type of testing and violations reported, official rulings by number, infraction, and penalty, Nebraska-bred horses and incentive expenditures.

Description	FY06 Actual	FY07	FY08 Request	FY09 Request
Live Race Days Approved	108	108	108	108
Parimutuel Handle (millions)	103	100	97	94
Licenses Issued	2,350	2,350	2,350	2,350
Program Expenditures	64,4199	831,366	838,732	842,932
Regulatory Personnel - FTE	7.52	9.27	9.27	9.27
Personnel (FTE*365)/Live Race Days	25.4	31.3	31.3	31.3
Personnel/1000 Licenses Issued	3.2	3.9	3.9	3.9
Expenditures/Live Race Days	5,964.81	7,697.83	7,766.04	7,804.93
Expenditures/Licenses Issued	274.13	353.77	356.91	358.69
Expenditures as % of Handle	0.625%	0.831%	0.865%	0.897%